Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

WHIP FA

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: WHIP FA	-	Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the restoration of declining or important native wildlife habitats?	Yes O or No O
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for at-risk species which can include candidate species and State listed threatened and endangered species?	
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of wildlife habitat for Federally listed threatened and endangered wildlife species?	
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the reduction of invasive species on wildlife habitats?	
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using WHIP result in the protection, restoration, development or enhancement of declining or important aquatic wildlife species' habitats?	

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. NM WHIP Priorities improved: Select one answer from questions 1-6 This contract will benefit the mixed grass/shrub/prairie habitat?	
2. This contract will benefit the riparian habitat?	
3. This contract will benefit the forest/shrub habitat?	
4. This contract will benefit the wildlife water habitat?	
5. This contract will benefit a wetlands habitat?	Yes O or No O
6. This contract will not benefit one of the above habitats?	Yes O or No O
7. Number of Habitat Types Improved: Select question 7 or 8. This contract will benefit two or more habitats.	Yes O or No O
8. This contract will only benefit one habitat.	Yes O or No O
9. Number of Habitat Elements Improved: Select question 9 or 10. Contract will improve three or more of the following elements - food, water, winter cover, roosting, breeding, nesting/fawning/calving, hiding, hunting, thermal cover, resting area (these elements must be a limiting factor, at least in some cases, for the species of intended benefit in order to be counted).	
10. Contract will improve one or two of the elements listed in question #9.	Yes O or No O
11. Establishment Cost/Acre: Select question 11, 12, 13 or 14 Contract will cost less than \$100/acre	Yes O or No O
12. Contract will cost \$101-\$400/Acre	Yes O or No O
13. Contract will cost \$401-\$750/Acre	Yes O or No O
14. Contract will cost more than \$750/Acre	Yes O or No O
15. Functions Improved in Addition to Wildlife Benefits: May select any or all in questions 15, 16, 17, and 18. Or select 19 if none apply. This contract will improve water quality?	Yes O or No O
16. This contract will reduce soil erosion?	Yes O or No O
17. This contract will improve ground water recharge?	Yes O or No O
18. This contract will improve flood water retention?	Yes O or No O
19. This contract will not improve any of the above?	Yes O or No O

20. Sensitive Species (resident or transient): Select question 20, 21, or 22 This contract will benefit two or more	** 0 11 0
species from the Federal, State, or Tribal list of threatened, endangered, or candidate species.	Yes O or No O
21. This contract will benefit one species from the list in question 20.	Yes O or No O
22. This contract will benefit none of the species included on the lists in question 20.	
23. Likelihood of Success of Habitat Improvements: Select question 23, 24, or 25. The likelihood of successful habitat improvement through this contract is high.	
24. The likelihood of successful habitat improvement through this contract is medium.	
25. The likelihood of successful habitat improvement through this contract is low.	Yes O or No O
26. Acres Benefitted: Select question 26 or 27. This contract will treat more than 640 acres.	Yes O or No O
27. This contract will treat less than 640 acres.	Yes O or No O
28. Proximity to Publicly Owned Wildlife Area: Select question 28 or 29. This contract is less than three miles to a publicly owned wildlife area.	
29. This contract is more than three miles to a publicly owned wildlife area.	Yes O or No O
30. Parrtnership Funding and Involvement: Select question 30, 31, 32 or 33. Partners will provide more than 50% of the costs of this contract.	Yes O or No O
31. Partners will provide 10-50% of the costs of this contract.	Yes O or No O
32. Partners will provide technical assistance only in planning, managing, or monitoring this contract.	Yes O or No O
33. There are no other entities involved in this contract.	Yes O or No O
34. Restoration of Native Habitat: Select question 34, 35 or 36. Habitat management priorities are for native wildlife and/or native plant communities, including game species.	
35. Habitat management priorities are for native wildlife and/or native plant communities, not including game species.	Yes O or No O
36. Habitat management priorities are for feral animals: exotic plants and animals.	Yes O or No O
37. Societal Benefits: Select question 37 or 38. Area will be used for education, public recreation or demonstrations.	Yes O or No O
38. Area will not be used for education, public recreation or demonstrations.	Yes O or No O
39. Operation and Maintenance Costs: Select question 39, 40 or 41. Annual O & M cost are estimated at less than \$10 per acre.	Yes O or No O
	Yes O or No O
40. Annual O & M cost are estimated at less than \$10-\$20 per acre.	

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. There are no local issues for this ranking tool.	Yes O or No O

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

NRCS Designated Conservationist:	Applicant Signature Required for Contract Development:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: